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Sir: This is a request for filing a  continuation  divisional application, under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), of pending prior Application No. 09/ 981,454 filed on October 17, 2001, entitled Fluid Bed Process for the Acetoxylation of Ethylene in the Production of Vinyl Acetate

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1.  Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration, as originally filed. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied herewith, is considered as being a part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
2.  A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3.  Amend this application to cancel original claims of the application before calculating the filing fee (MPEP 607). (At least one original independent claim is retained.)
4.  Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
This is a  continuation,  division of Application No. 09/ 981,454, filed On 10/17/01, which is a cont. of 08/703,805 filed on 8/27/96, which is a cont. of 08/378,344 filed on 1/26/95, which is a CIP of 08/252,874 filed on 6/2/94.
5. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2):
  - a.  DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior non-provisional application:
  - b.  The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
6.  A new power of attorney is enclosed.
7.  Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) is enclosed.
8.  An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed: a.  PTO-1449 b.  Copies of IDS citations

The filing fee is calculated below on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended in 2 and 3 above.

Claims As Filed in the Prior Application Less any Claims Canceled By Amendment				
(1) For:	(2) No. Filed	(3) No. Extra	(4) Rate	(5) Calculations
Total Claims	13 =	0	\$18 =	\$
Independent Claims	2 =	0	\$84 =	\$
			Basic Fee	\$770.00
			Total Filing Fee >	\$770.00

9.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 01-0528. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
10.  Form PTO-2038 (Credit Card Payment Form)
11.  Other: Copies of Decisions on Appeal from prior applications (2)
12.  New correspondence address: \_\_\_\_\_

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